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## **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated March 20, 2009 finally rejecting claims 1 – 8.

The fee for this Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.20(b)(1)), in the amount of \$540.00 is enclosed. If additional fees are required, Applicants authorize such fees to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1676 in the name of Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc.

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